Augustin Guitart interview (Sylvia Odio; Oswald's literature distribution)
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Guitart and his son share a building on Louisiana Avenue Parkway, the son living downstairs at 3607, the father upstairs at 3605.The father still teaches physics. The son is studying law. He was a lawyer in Cuba, proud of having tried 572 cases (and after spending part of an evening with him I wonder about the character of law practise in pre-Castro Cuba), but has a four-year course to qualify for the Louisiana bar. He rather bitterly refered to law as "Jew medicine". He is not very bright, a sort of quiet Bringuier in his attitudes, sees everything as a conspiracy, thought I was secretly taping his father but would not look inside my attache case when I opened it for him, etc.

The elder Guitart is satisfied Sylvia Odio is an honest woman and testified truthfully before the Warren Commission. The FBI reports on this are deceptive, for he never doubted her truthfulness. He says she had serious problems but was in no sense irresponsible, mentally ill?, etc.

While she was hospitalized and during the period of her convalescence he and his family cared for her four children. When she visited him in March of 1964 it was to get her children. Her saw little of her then and spoke to her little because he had other guests, was working, and she was so glad to be with the children again she spent most of her time with them. She was with him for two days only.

After remarrying, Sylvia is divorced from that husband, married to another whose name Guitart said he did not know, and is in Miami. Her mother, who has completed her six-year sentense, also is in Miami. The Guitarts profess to be out of touch with the Odios.

Dr. Guitart considers himself a friend of Bringuier. At the time of the arrest Bringuier phoned him and excitedly told him about the affair, full of indignation. He did not see the literature distribution because he had classes. He went to the trial because he had no classes that day. He wanted to see Oswald and he sort of fortified his friend Bringuier.

He says he knows nothing at all about the literature distribution, nothing at all about anyone with Oswald. He says he has not heard others speak of those with Oswald. He knows and likes Bartes; did not know Arcacha, came to this country in 1962, regards himself as a guest in it.